

**TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF MUSEUMS
AWARD OF EXCELLENCE NOMINATION FORM**

Submission Deadline: January 30, 2015

Please refer to nomination guidelines before completing and mailing your information. Please print or type legibly. Incomplete nominations and modified forms will not be considered.

Title of Nomination _____

Name of Institution _____

Award Category (Please circle one category per nomination form)

Exhibition Permanent Temporary Blockbuster Traveling	Publication Book/Catalog Gallery Guides Flat Paper Newsletter Annual Report PR Kits Special/Novelty	Audio-Visual Audio Tours Films Exhibit Component Web Page	Educational Programming Special Event Special Recognition Volunteerism
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Institutional Size Category (Please circle one) 1 2 3 4 5

List any special equipment or software that must be used to view the supporting materials _____

Fee for each nomination is \$15.00. Total amount enclosed _____

Nominee Name(s): (as it will appear on the certificate) _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Contact person (all official correspondence will be sent to this person): _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ St. _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Museum's focus (select ONE of the following):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aquarium | <input type="checkbox"/> Planetarium |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic House/Site | <input type="checkbox"/> General |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science/Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arboretum/Botanical Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's/Youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural History/Anthropology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zoo | <input type="checkbox"/> Art |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) | |

Year the museum was first opened to the public _____

Museum's operating budget for the last fiscal year (including salaries) _____

Number of full-time paid museum staff _____

Number of part-time paid museum staff _____

Number of unpaid museum staff (volunteers) _____

Museum's attendance for the most recently completed calendar year _____

Please state the organization's mission

NOMINATION INFORMATION

How does this nomination demonstrate compliance with the organization's mission?

Explain as succinctly as possible why this project or individual should receive the Award of Excellence. Describe the impact made on the community served, identify intended audiences and how they were reached, and give examples of why this nomination is an outstanding accomplishment.

PROJECT BUDGET

Please list funding sources and amounts below. Note if the funding is private, state, federal, local government, etc. The information in italics below is an example.

Organization Expenditures	Amount	External Sources	Amount	In-Kind Services	Amount	Other	Amount
<i>Operating Budget</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>	<i>Private Donation</i>	<i>\$10,000</i>	<i>Printing of Brochure</i>	<i>\$2000</i>	<i>NEH Grant</i>	<i>\$25,000</i>

Was the exhibit, program, event, etc., free to the public or was there an admission? _____

Admission amount _____

Attendance _____

Number of paid staff utilized on this project _____ Number of hours _____

Number of volunteers utilized on this project _____ Number of hours _____

Was this a joint project? If yes, list the names and addresses of the other participants, and give the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of contact persons.

Who originated the project?

REMINDER: Your area representative on the Awards Committee should receive the completed nomination form and support materials digitally or through the mail, and the entry fee postmarked by January 30, 2015.

**2014 TAM Award of Excellence Committee
Area Representatives**

Northeast Tennessee Representative: Kathy Cuff, Archivist, President Andrew Johnson Museum & Library, P.O. Box 5026, Greeneville, TN 37745, (423) 636-7348 or (800) 729-0256, ext 5348 or kcuff@tusculum.edu

Kathy represents the following counties: Carter, Cocke, Greene, Hamblen, Hancock, Hawkins, Jefferson, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington.

Middle Northeast Tennessee Representative: Katie Stringer, Executive Director, Blount Mansion, P.O. Box 1703, Knoxville, TN 37901, 865-525-2375, director@blountmansion.org

Katie represents the following counties: Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Claiborne, Cumberland, Fentress, Grainger, Knox, Morgan, Overton, Pickett, Roane, Scott, Union, and White.

Southeast Tennessee Representative: Leah Walker, Site Manager, Doak House Museum, Tusculum College, Box 5026, Greeneville, TN 37743, (423) 636-8554, lwalker@tusculum.edu

Leah represents the following counties: Bledsoe, Bradley, Grundy, Hamilton, Loudon, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Polk, Rhea, Sequatchie, Sevier, and Van Buren.

Middle Tennessee Representative: Tori Mason, Croft House Manager, Nashville Zoo at Grassmere, 3777 Nolensville Pike, Nashville, TN 37211, tmason@nashvillezoo.org, 615-833-1534

Tori represents the following counties: Bedford, Cannon, Cheatham, Clay, Coffee, Davidson, DeKalb, Dickson, Franklin, Giles, Hickman, and Jackson.

Middle Tennessee Representative: Christopher Grisham, Museum Program Assistant, Tennessee State Museum, 505 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37243, (615) 741-0830, christopher.grisham@tn.gov

Chris represents the following counties: Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Macon, Marshall, Maury, Montgomery, Moore, Putnam, Robertson, Rutherford, Smith, Sumner, Trousdale, Warren, Williamson, and Wilson.

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Other Committee Members:

Chairperson: Leah Walker, Site Manager, Doak House Museum, Tusculum College, Box 5026, Greeneville, TN 37743, (423) 636-8554, lwalker@tusculum.edu

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